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SUBJECT: MFA HAS NO FORMAL OPINION ON RUSSIA-GEORGIA

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(U) In an August 21 meeting, MFA Americas Unit Head, Teaghes Kiflezghi, informed PolOff the MFA does not have an official position regarding the Russia-Georgia conflict (reftel). On a personal note, however, Teaghes commented that he feels sympathy for the excessive loss of Georgian lives.
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